

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Listing of Claims

The following listing of claims replaces all previous listings or versions thereof:

- 1-28. (Canceled)
29. (Previously presented) An isolated polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO: 4.
30. (Previously presented) The isolated polynucleotide of claim 29, wherein said polynucleotide comprises the nucleic acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:3.
31. (Original) The polynucleotide of claim 30, wherein said polynucleotide is operatively linked to a promoter.
32. (Original) The polynucleotide of claim 30, further defined as a cDNA segment.
33. (Currently amended) The polynucleotide of claim 30, wherein said polynucleotide is comprised in a vector.
34. (Currently amended) [[A]]An isolated recombinant host cell comprising a DNA segment encoding [[an isolated]]murine choline transporter having the amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:4 under the control of a heterologous promoter.
35. (Previously presented) A recombinant vector comprising a DNA segment encoding a mouse choline transporter polypeptide having the sequence of SEQ ID NO:4 under the control of a promoter.
- 36-105. (Canceled)

106. (New) A recombinant murine host cell lacking at least one functional allele encoding a murine choline transporter having the amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:4.